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Missouri Area Labor Trends

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A Monthly Review of Missouri Labor Market Information

Missouri Labor Market Review

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Employment increased, and employment fell sharply in Missouri in September. This was largely the result of expected seasonal conditions, as the end of summer and the beginning of the school year usually result in one of the largest employment increases and unemployment decreases of any month. The growth in employment this September was somewhat more than the expected seasonal increase, reflecting underlying growth in jobs and the number of employed Missourians.

The state's unemployment rate fell from 6.1 percent in August to 5.4 percent in September, a typical August-to-September decline. Both the rate and level of unemployment (140,700 in September) remain about the same as they were a year ago. This has been true for most of this year, as unemployment has shown little tendency to fall below year-earlier levels.

Total employment grew by 33,300 between August and September, while nonfarm payroll employment was up by 41,000 jobs. Both these increases were largely seasonal in nature, reflecting the increase in state and local government that takes place each September with the reopening of schools and colleges for the fall term. This year, state and local government employment increased by 41,100 jobs. Last year, the increase was only 32,200 jobs, and that was spread over two months. Increases in other nonmanufacturing industries, primarily transportation (including school bus services), were small and were offset by decreases in construction; services; and finance, insurance, and read estate. These declines were mostly seasonal.

Manufacturing industries showed little change between August and September, as total employment of 418,100 was up by 800 from the previous month.

Total employment reached a new high of 2,459,600 in September, up by about 12,000 from the previous peak reached in May. September's nonagricultural wage and salary employment of 2,189,200 was about 800 jobs below the May peak. Growth in employment has been continuing at a moderate pace, as total employment and nonagricultural wage and salary employment have each increased by about 1.1 percent over the past 12 months.

The factory workweek increased by 0.4 hours in September to 40.6 hours. This largely reflected an increase in hours in the automobile industry. A number of industries reported fewer hours, because the Labor Day holiday fell in the reference week. In some cases, however, this led to an increase in overtime during that week. Holiday and overtime pay helped boost average hourly earnings by 18 cents to $9.91. Average weekly earnings increased by $11.20 to $402.35.

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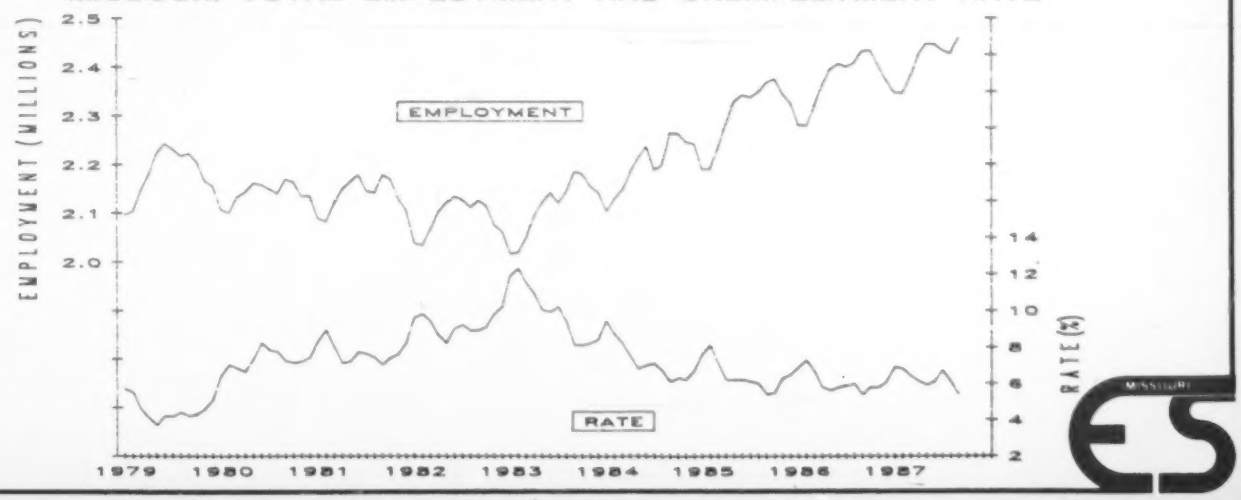
MISSOURI TOTAL EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



EMPLOYMENT SECURITY - A Division of the Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations

Table 1

MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - SEP 1987 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - AUG 1987 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - SEP 1986 (BENCHMARKED 1986)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2600244	2459559	140685	5.4	2584489	2426256	158233	6.1	2572070	2432365	139705	5.4
ST. LOUIS MSA	1255830	1179094	76736	6.1	1261842	1176828	85014	6.7	1246450	1162179	84271	6.8
KANSAS CITY MSA	809493	768717	40776	5.0	815270	768526	46744	5.7	800226	766394	33832	4.2
SPRINGFIELD MSA	121009	116044	4965	4.1	119567	114000	5567	4.7	118513	113853	4660	3.9
COLUMBIA MSA	66409	64546	1863	2.8	64887	63085	1802	2.8	64381	62593	1788	2.8
JOPLIN MSA	70028	66638	3390	4.8	69202	65477	3725	5.4	67697	64247	3450	5.1
ST. JOSEPH MSA	41328	38591	2737	6.6	40775	37984	2791	6.8	40692	37885	2807	6.9
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	13462	13023	439	3.3	12640	12084	556	4.4	13187	12680	507	3.8
ANDREW	7230	6839	391	5.4	7075	6667	408	5.8	7083	6748	335	4.7
ATCHISON	3460	3375	85	2.5	3294	3193	101	3.1	3511	3387	124	3.5
AUDRAIN	10801	10218	583	5.4	10635	9937	698	6.6	11340	10591	749	6.6
BARRY	12086	11554	532	4.4	11837	11287	550	4.6	12618	11929	689	5.5
BARTON	5578	5436	142	2.5	5415	5228	187	3.5	5495	5308	187	3.4
BATES	7082	6601	481	6.8	6762	6208	554	8.2	6655	6310	345	5.2
BENTON	5941	5663	278	4.7	5921	5612	309	5.2	5903	5559	344	5.8
BOLLINGER	3182	2886	296	9.3	2967	2674	293	9.9	3629	3288	341	9.4
BUTLER	16544	15304	1240	7.5	16053	14702	1351	8.4	17222	15894	1328	7.7
CALDWELL	3533	3357	176	5.0	3378	3147	231	6.8	3686	3552	134	3.6
CALLAWAY	16544	15765	779	4.7	16099	15224	875	5.4	16049	15248	801	5.0
CAMDEN	14318	13673	645	4.5	15169	14554	615	4.1	14753	13981	772	5.2
CAPE GIRARDEAU	35612	34218	1394	3.9	34246	32739	1507	4.4	34114	32955	1159	3.4
CARROLL	5659	5034	625	11.0	5416	4774	642	11.9	5532	5242	290	5.2
CARTER	2118	1944	174	8.2	1982	1788	194	9.8	2137	1919	218	10.2
CEDAR	5209	4874	335	6.4	5442	4954	488	9.0	5045	4818	227	4.5
CHARITON	4835	4605	230	4.8	4642	4395	247	5.3	4745	4470	275	5.8
CLARK	4005	3787	218	5.4	3957	3667	290	7.3	4073	3866	207	5.1
CLINTON	8067	7628	439	5.4	7835	7304	531	6.8	7354	6992	362	4.9
COLE/OSAGE LMA	41840	40123	1717	4.1	41394	39438	1956	4.7	41033	39446	1587	3.9
COOPER	7008	6762	246	3.5	6760	6441	319	4.7	7450	7079	371	5.0
CRAWFORD	8636	8020	616	7.1	8429	7873	556	6.6	8211	7539	672	8.2
DADE	3259	3113	146	4.5	3074	2888	186	6.1	3129	3042	87	2.8
DALLAS	4100	3763	337	8.2	3975	3663	312	7.8	4106	3808	298	7.3
DAVIESS	4541	4341	200	4.4	4326	4135	191	4.4	4335	4198	137	3.2
DEKALB	3896	3701	195	5.0	3734	3470	264	7.1	3936	3759	177	4.5
DENT	5546	5101	445	8.0	5400	4891	509	9.4	5983	5275	708	11.8
DOUGLAS	4853	4509	344	7.1	4716	4345	371	7.9	4885	4378	507	10.4
DUNKLIN	14395	13521	874	6.1	13917	12830	1087	7.8	14389	13391	998	6.9
GASCONADE	6956	6599	357	5.1	6734	6321	413	6.1	7206	6739	467	6.5
GENTRY	3498	3320	178	5.1	3308	3093	215	6.5	3446	3362	84	2.4
GRUNDY	5681	5395	286	5.0	5188	4988	200	3.9	5455	5228	227	4.2
HARRISON	4983	4773	210	4.2	4806	4589	217	4.5	4946	4783	163	3.3
HENRY	8494	7884	610	7.2	8403	7712	691	8.2	8658	8162	496	5.7
HICKORY	2711	2525	186	6.9	2656	2465	191	7.2	2654	2505	149	5.6
HOLT	2935	2796	139	4.7	2688	2561	127	4.7	2921	2818	103	3.5
HOWARD	4631	4462	169	3.6	4528	4216	312	6.9	4875	4643	232	4.8
HOWELL	13623	12724	899	6.6	13056	12103	953	7.3	13456	12468	988	7.3
IRON	2295	1987	308	13.4	2259	1917	342	15.1	2788	2352	436	15.6
JOHNSON	18774	18061	713	3.8	17334	16563	771	4.4	17877	17303	574	3.2
KNOX	2149	2073	76	3.5	2107	2029	78	3.7	2196	2107	89	4.1
LACLEDE	13874	13166	708	5.1	13510	12770	740	5.5	12983	12220	763	5.9
LAWRENCE	14301	13607	694	4.9	13993	13189	804	5.7	13453	12675	778	5.8

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	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	4726	4458	268	5.7	4528	4222	306	6.8	5203	4644	559	10.7
LINCOLN	11483	10757	726	6.3	11316	10547	769	6.8	11252	10666	586	5.2
LINN	6809	6364	445	6.5	6477	6069	408	6.3	6872	6389	483	7.0
LIVINGSTON	6938	6625	313	4.5	6702	6405	297	4.4	6876	6615	261	3.8
MACON	9467	9069	398	4.2	9261	8725	536	5.8	8744	8359	385	4.4
MADISON	4663	4436	227	4.9	4200	3879	321	7.6	4419	4074	345	7.8
MARIES	4269	4012	257	6.0	4042	3761	281	7.0	4279	3977	302	7.1
MARION/RALLS LMA	17938	16912	1026	5.7	18033	16899	1134	6.3	18038	16914	1124	6.2
MCDONALD	8132	7729	403	5.0	7969	7485	484	6.1	7718	7324	394	5.1
MERCER	1881	1808	73	3.9	1763	1678	85	4.8	1849	1783	66	3.6
MILLER	10173	9516	657	6.5	10010	9300	710	7.1	10518	9720	798	7.6
MISSISSIPPI	6674	6178	496	7.4	6253	5704	549	8.8	6529	6024	505	7.7
MONITEAU	6353	6121	232	3.7	6202	5890	312	5.0	6354	6062	292	4.6
MONROE	5868	5636	232	4.0	5738	5465	273	4.8	5766	5557	209	3.6
MONTGOMERY	5205	4922	283	5.4	5184	4833	351	6.8	5045	4733	312	6.2
MORGAN	8077	7706	371	4.6	8405	7926	479	5.7	7417	6943	474	6.4
NEW MADRID	9767	9122	645	6.6	9497	8752	745	7.8	9669	8991	678	7.0
NODAWAY	11737	11258	479	4.1	10605	10343	262	2.5	10955	10711	244	2.2
OREGON	4369	3968	401	9.2	4175	3769	406	9.7	4385	4069	316	7.2
OZARK	3776	3598	178	4.7	3572	3371	201	5.6	3754	3544	210	5.6
PEMISCOT	8922	8380	542	6.1	8808	8070	738	8.4	9029	8271	758	8.4
PERRY	8171	7846	325	4.0	8124	7803	321	4.0	8349	7862	487	5.8
PETTIS	18764	17740	1024	5.5	18318	17165	1153	6.3	19366	18288	1078	5.6
PHELPS	16630	15910	720	4.3	16184	15326	858	5.3	16616	15864	752	4.5
PIKE	7981	7468	513	6.4	7842	7193	649	8.3	7933	7451	482	6.1
POLK	9882	9354	528	5.3	9407	8886	521	5.5	9306	8852	534	5.7
PULASKI	12181	11595	586	4.8	11669	11008	661	5.7	12465	11823	642	5.2
PUTNAM	2495	2388	107	4.3	2350	2235	115	4.9	2458	2394	64	2.6
RANDOLPH	11887	11205	682	5.7	11680	10822	858	7.3	11778	11126	652	5.5
REYNOLDS	1616	1381	235	14.5	1616	1364	252	15.6	1806	1441	365	20.2
RIPLEY	4933	4626	307	6.2	4807	4446	361	7.5	4656	4352	304	6.5
SALINE	11569	11083	486	4.2	11148	10587	561	5.0	12170	11668	502	4.1
SCOTLAND	2572	2474	98	3.8	2478	2356	122	4.9	2505	2430	75	3.0
SCOTT	18396	17214	1182	6.4	17717	16495	1222	6.9	17648	16478	1170	6.6
SHANNON	2512	2238	274	10.9	2385	2118	267	11.2	2664	2351	313	11.7
SHELBY	3845	3772	73	1.9	3731	3625	106	2.8	3865	3790	75	1.9
ST. CLAIR	3850	3625	225	5.8	3805	3526	279	7.3	3779	3632	147	3.9
ST. FRANCOIS	20901	19345	1556	7.4	20424	18780	1644	8.0	19408	17819	1589	8.2
STE. GENEVIEVE	7017	6606	411	5.9	6963	6461	502	7.2	7379	6894	485	6.6
STODDARD	12654	11865	789	6.2	12306	11292	1014	8.2	13506	12373	1133	8.4
STONE	9573	9097	476	5.0	10161	9526	635	6.2	9534	8949	585	6.1
SULLIVAN	3759	3646	113	3.0	3626	3504	122	3.4	3382	3258	124	3.7
TANEY	17148	16418	730	4.3	18671	18060	611	3.3	16480	15835	645	3.9
TEXAS	9684	9196	488	5.0	9508	8859	649	6.8	9425	8638	787	8.4
VERNON	9544	9187	357	3.7	9404	8993	411	4.4	9322	8934	388	4.2
WARREN	9990	9489	501	5.0	10053	9407	646	6.4	9426	9013	413	4.4
WASHINGTON	5830	4892	938	16.1	5795	4670	1125	19.4	6578	5121	1457	22.1
WAYNE	4669	4288	381	8.2	4504	4112	392	8.7	5024	4537	487	9.7
WEBSTER	9571	8823	748	7.8	9208	8449	759	8.2	9764	9078	686	7.0
WORTH	1289	1225	64	5.0	1175	1111	64	5.4	1337	1303	34	2.5
WRIGHT	6902	6504	398	5.8	6499	5989	510	7.8	6922	6356	566	8.2

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Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
September, 1987

Industry Title	All Employees (In Thousands)			Production Workers: Average Weekly Earnings			Production Workers: Average Weekly Hours			Production Workers: Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	2189.2	2148.2	2164.9									
Total Manufacturing	418.1	417.3	424.3	402.35	391.15	405.00	40.6	40.2	41.2	9.91	9.73	9.83
Durable Goods	231.9	231.5	241.9	449.94	432.72	451.14	41.7	40.9	42.4	10.79	10.58	10.64
Lumber & Wood Products	10.8	10.9	10.2	259.91	262.00	264.40	39.5	40.0	40.0	6.58	6.55	6.61
Furniture & Fixtures	11.2	11.0	10.6	367.35	372.06	390.06	47.4	47.7	49.6	7.75	7.80	7.88
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	11.2	11.1	11.2	508.08	490.32	436.29	43.8	43.2	40.1	11.60	11.35	10.88
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	1.0	622.05	580.25	571.43	43.5	40.1	39.6	14.30	14.47	14.43
Structural Clay Prod.	2.2	2.1	1.9	442.66	472.36	425.29	35.3	39.2	35.5	12.54	12.05	11.98
Primary Metal Industries	12.9	12.7	11.5	471.55	468.63	455.87	40.2	41.0	41.9	11.73	11.43	10.88
Iron & Steel Foundries	1.2	1.2	1.3	440.73	469.29	370.52	41.5	43.9	40.1	10.62	10.69	9.24
Nonferrous Foundries	3.7	3.5	3.4	286.97	338.66	350.88	34.7	41.1	43.0	8.27	8.24	8.16
Fabricated Metal Products	28.1	28.2	28.9	438.69	430.92	416.07	41.9	42.0	41.9	10.47	10.26	9.93
Structural Metal Prod.	10.9	10.8	11.4	417.31	398.38	385.04	41.4	40.2	39.9	10.08	9.91	9.65
Machinery Exc. Electrical	29.7	29.8	30.3	408.24	426.36	421.34	40.5	41.8	41.8	10.08	10.20	10.08
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	47.2	47.0	48.5	393.18	383.76	394.57	41.3	41.0	42.2	9.52	9.36	9.35
Transportation Equipment	61.4	61.6	72.0	625.98	565.89	614.95	42.7	39.0	43.8	14.66	14.51	14.04
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	25.6	25.6	35.2	638.35	553.84	642.35	42.5	36.8	44.3	15.02	15.05	14.50
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.5	11.3	11.2	306.10	301.86	310.87	38.6	38.8	39.4	7.93	7.78	7.89
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	7.9	7.9	7.5	267.58	256.03	260.13	39.7	38.1	39.0	6.74	6.72	6.67
Nondurable Goods	186.2	185.8	182.4	344.18	340.34	342.86	39.2	39.3	39.5	8.78	8.66	8.68
Food & Kindred Products	48.4	48.0	47.1	405.04	391.72	411.40	41.5	40.3	42.5	9.76	9.72	9.68
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	13.4	13.2	13.1	318.51	301.51	325.90	43.1	40.8	44.1	7.39	7.39	7.39
Dairy Products	6.0	6.1	6.2	465.24	445.52	430.96	42.8	41.1	41.8	10.87	10.84	10.31
Grain Mill Products	7.5	7.4	7.0	464.10	432.18	482.14	44.2	42.0	45.7	10.50	10.29	10.55
Bakery Products	6.6	6.5	6.1	412.18	419.12	414.93	38.2	40.3	40.6	10.79	10.40	10.22
Beverages	10.2	10.2	10.0	538.36	540.80	528.15	36.4	37.4	36.5	14.79	14.46	14.47

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	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kindred Prods.	4.7	4.6	4.5	366.80	346.50	401.62	40.0	38.5	42.5	9.17	9.00	9.45
Textile & Apparel	26.2	25.9	24.8	208.30	210.75	210.94	36.1	37.3	37.6	5.77	5.65	5.61
Paper & Allied Products	13.5	13.6	13.7	393.01	401.72	386.72	41.5	41.5	40.2	9.47	9.68	9.62
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	6.4	6.5	6.8	387.19	400.68	390.62	40.8	42.0	39.9	9.49	9.54	9.79
Printing & Publishing	38.8	38.8	39.6	378.71	378.33	394.42	38.1	38.1	39.8	9.94	9.93	9.91
Commercial Printing	13.4	13.3	13.6	444.89	447.43	466.40	39.9	40.2	42.4	11.15	11.13	11.00
Chemicals & Allied	28.3	28.4	27.9	476.51	463.81	447.33	41.4	40.9	40.3	11.51	11.34	11.10
Leather & Leather Products	17.3	17.4	16.0	200.07	201.82	180.08	35.1	37.1	32.1	5.70	5.44	5.61
Footwear Exc. Rubber	13.5	13.7	12.5	178.36	187.10	169.16	33.4	36.4	31.5	5.34	5.14	5.37
Total Nonmanufacturing	1771.1	1730.9	1740.6									
Mining	5.6	5.6	5.6									
Construction	104.8	105.8	106.2									
Transportation & Public Util.	145.4	142.7	143.0									
Railroad Transportation	10.0	10.0	10.4									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	79.2	76.1	77.4									
Communications	56.2	56.6	55.2									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	514.8	514.4	516.1									
Wholesale Trade	124.9	124.3	125.0									
Retail Trade	389.9	390.1	391.1									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	135.6	136.7	131.4									
Services	513.9	515.0	499.3									
Government	351.0	310.7	339.0									
Federal Government	72.5	73.3	72.8									
State & Local Government	0	0	0									

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National Economic and Labor Market Conditions

National unemployment changed little in September, as the seasonally adjusted civilian unemployment rate edged down a tenth of a point to 5.9 percent. The rate had fallen sharply earlier in the year, dropping by 0.7 points between February and June and by 1.1 points in the past 12 months.

Total civilian employment fell by 302,000 between August and September, after having increased by 370,000 in the previous month. Seasonal adjustment is difficult in the summer months because of changing seasonal patterns, so it is difficult to impute much significance to these monthly movements. Over the past year, total civilian employment has increased by 2.8 million, while the number of nonfarm payroll jobs has grown by 2.4 million.

The economy is reported to have grown more rapidly during the summer months than in the previous quarter. Gross national product, adjusted for inflation, grew at a 3.8 percent annual rate in the July-September quarter, compared to 2.5 percent in the April-June period. Both consumer spending and business investment were up during the latest quarter.

Outlook

The recent turmoil in the securities markets probably reflects financial factors more than problems in the overall national economy. A more serious problem might be the effect recent drops in stock market prices will have on the economy. Hundreds of billions of dollars of wealth were lost when stock prices fell drastically, and this will doubtless affect consumer spending. The magnitude of this drop is hard to predict. A substantial cutback in spending, with the Christmas season about to begin, would increase the likelihood of recession. Reduced business investment would have the same effect. Many forecasters have scaled back their predicted growth rates for the first part of next year. The degree of slowing will depend in large degree on the confidence of consumers and businesses.

The government's index of leading economic indicators declined by 0.1 percent in September, the first drop in eight months. Much of the drop came from the decrease in the factory workweek which resulted from the Labor Day holiday. The drop in stock prices should depress the October index. The behavior of indicators in the following months may be more indicative of future economic activity.

Following September's substantial seasonal improvement, Missouri labor market conditions usually begin to fall off slightly in October, with decreasing employment and higher unemployment being the norm. These relatively small changes continue through the fall, until January brings more substantial deterioration.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related To Manpower Developments Missouri — September, 1987

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,600,244	2,584,489	2,572,070	15,755	28,174
Total Employed	2,459,600	2,426,300	2,432,400	33,300	27,200
Total Unemployed	140,700	158,200	139,700	-17,500	1,000
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	5.4	6.1	5.4	-0.7	0.0
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment					
Except Domestics (No. of Jobs)	2,189,200	2,148,200	2,164,900	41,000	24,300
Manufacturing	418,100	417,300	424,300	800	-6,200
Durable Goods	231,900	231,500	241,900	400	-10,000
Nondurable Goods	186,200	185,800	182,400	400	3,800
Nonmanufacturing	1,771,100	1,730,900	1,740,600	40,200	30,500
State Initial Claims (Wkly Avg.)	5,852	6,570	6,945	0	-1,093
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	370,465	38,841	43,101	331,624	327,364
Insured Unemployment Rate	2.1	2.1	2.1	0.0	0.0
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	2,481	2,552	2,849	-71	-368
Amount of Benefits Paid	$15,510,498	$16,239,257	$16,662,427	-$728,759	-$1,151,929
State U.I.	15,219,396	15,961,025	16,347,178	-741,629	-1,127,782
UCFE	176,369	150,423	162,744	25,946	13,625
UCX	114,733	127,809	152,505	-13,076	-37,772

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Cass, Clay, Lafayette, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Miami counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

September, 1987

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For the second consecutive month, the Kansas City Metropolitan Area's unemployment rate continued to fall from the July 1987 high of 6.1 per cent. The September 1987 rate of 5.0 per cent of the labor force represents a drop of seven tenths of a percentage point from the August level and more than a percentage point drop from the July high point. At five per cent the Area's September rate reached its second lowest of the year. The lowest rate of the year, 4.8 per cent, was reached in April. Similarly the number of jobless workers fell to 40,800, a drop of nearly six thousand from the August level and more than nine thousand from the July 1987 high of 50,200. Although the number of civilian employed changed only slightly over-the-month, the Area recorded 5,800 withdrawals from the labor force. While several thousand temporarily laid off school related personnel and automobile assemblers returned to work, similar numbers of seasonal workers in Retail Trade and Services were laid off or simply withdrew from the labor force. The extent to which these movements in the labor force offset one another accounts for the small change recorded in the overall total of 767,700 employed workers.

While over-the-month conditions represent substantial improvement in the Area's labor market, comparisons with the over-the-year conditions are less favorable. With a labor force more than nine thousand larger in September 1987 than in September 1986 and with only 2,300 more employed, the Area recorded an increase of approximately seven thousand in the number of jobless persons over-the-year.

Wage and salaried employment in September 1987 was 718,400, up by 5,300 from the August 1987 total of 713,100. Within the Manufacturing sector, the Motor Vehicles and Equipment industry accounted for the only significant change. Approximately 1,300 automobile assembly workers returned to work over-the-month. With 9,200 workers now working in the industry, the number of jobs in the Area's Transportation Equipment industry still remains about 5,700 lower than the 1987 high of 14,900 attained in February of this year. With the exception of the Transportation Equipment industry, the Area's Manufacturing sector has remained relatively stable over-the-month. Excluding Transportation Equipment, all other Manufacturing sectors have hovered between 101,000 and 101,800 and averaged about 101,400 jobs over the last eight months.

After climbing over the first half of 1987 to 607,700 in June 1987 and then dropping to 603,300 in July 1987, the Area's employment in the Nonmanufacturing sector climbed to 607,500 in September 1987. Over-the-month, 4,000 jobs were added to the sector, despite losses of 600 jobs in Retail Trade, primarily in eating and drinking establishments, 400 jobs lost in Wholesale Trade and smaller losses in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate and Services. State and Local Government, with 4,900 more jobs, was the top gainer over-the-month. Area schools accounted for 94 per cent of 4,600 of these jobs added. Another 600 jobs were added to Transportation, Communications and Utilities industry. Most of these jobs were due to school related increases, particularly in school bus transportation.

Wage and salaried employment fell by 3,100 from a total of 721,500 in September 1986 to a total of 718,400 in September 1987. Durable Goods Manufacturing fell by 8,000, Nondurable Goods increased by 400, while Nonmanufacturing increased by 5,300 job over-the-year. Despite the over-the-month increase in jobs in Durable Goods Manufacturing, over-the-year the sector last jobs, primarily in Transportation and Electronic/Electrical Equipment. From a September 1986 total of 19,400 jobs, the Electronic/-Electrical Equipment industry has consistently recorded losses, the bulk of which has been in electric and communications equipment, reaching its lowest level over the last 12 months at 17,300 in May 1987 and again in July. The industry, down by 2,000 jobs, has remained at this level for the last three months. The Transportation Equipment industry, responding to a volatile market, has recorded a widely fluctuating employment series over the last twelve months. Plagued by several rounds of both temporary and indefinite layoffs, the number of jobs in the industry has fallen by 6,600 jobs over the period. Among the remaining Manufacturing industries, Paper and Allied Products and Chemicals recorded modest gains, while Food and Kindred Products and Printing and Publishing posted modest losses.

With the exception of the Construction industry, which lost 800 jobs in September 1987, compared to September 1986, all other Nonmanufacturing industries recorded gains over-the-year. The Services industry led in total jobs gained with 2,400 jobs added over-the-year primarily in business services which added 1,800 jobs and recreation and amusement which added 600 jobs. All Government added 1,400 jobs over the period, with 900 of those jobs gained in Federal Government and the remaining 500 gained in State and Local Government, primarily in the federal miscellaneous category and local schools. Eleven hundred jobs were added in Wholesale and Retail Trade primarily in department stores, which alone added 500 jobs. Recreation and amusement, 800 jobs, Transportation, Communications and Utilities, with 700 more jobs, mainly in air transportation, and Finance, Insurance and Real Estate with 400 jobs complete the list of industries posting gains over the year ago levels.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was

40,800 in September 1987 for 5.0 percent of the labor force, compared to 46,700 for 5.7 per cent of the labor force in August 1987 and 33,800 in September 1986 for 4.2 per cent of the labor force.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

The Area's unemployment will rise slightly in October 1987 as losses in Services and Retail Trade outweigh anticipated employment increases in State and Local Government, resulting from Area schools completing their hiring adjustments. Increases in employment in Construction will continue but at a much slower pace then the Area experienced during the earlier part of the summer. The Area's labor force will continue to shrink as a result of further withdrawals of seasonal summer workers. Unemployment is expected to be 5.2 per cent of the labor force in October 1987, compared to 5.0 per cent in September 1987 and 4.4 per cent in October 1986.

The civilian labor force will shrink further in November 1987 as the remaining temporary summer workers drop out. Overall employment will be little changed as losses in Construction and Services offset continued increases in State and Local Government. Manufacturing employment may show some improvement over-the-month. Increases in Retail Trade employment will occur over-the-month as a result of merchants beginning their holiday hiring. Unemployment is expected to be 5.2 per cent of the labor force in November 1987 compared to 4.4 per cent in November 1986.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1986)

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current: September, 1987**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	718,400	713,100	721,500	+5,300	-3,100
Total Manufacturing	110,900	109,600	119,300	+1,300	-8,400
Durable Goods	58,200	56,900	67,000	+1,300	-8,800
Lumber & Furniture	3,700	3,600	3,500	+100	+200
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,700	3,700	3,700	0	0
Primary Metal Industries	3,800	3,800	3,700	0	+100
Fabricated Metal Products	8,900	9,100	9,100	-200	-200
Machinery Except Electrical	8,000	8,000	8,200	0	-200
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	17,300	17,300	19,300	0	-2,000
Transportation Equipment	9,200	7,800	15,800	+1,400	-6,600
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(8,700)	(7,400)	(15,400)	(+1,300)	(-6,700)
Other Durable Goods	3,700	3,700	3,600	0	+100
Nondurable Goods	52,700	52,700	52,300	0	+400
Food & Kindred Products	9,400	9,400	9,800	0	-400
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,200	2,200	2,200	0	0
Paper & Allied Products	5,900	6,000	5,600	-100	+300
Printing & Publishing	19,900	19,900	20,200	0	-300
Chemicals & Allied Products	9,500	9,600	9,000	-100	+500
Petroleum & Coal Products	500	500	600	0	-100
Other Nondurable Goods	5,200	5,200	4,900	0	+300
Total Nonmanufacturing	607,500	603,500	602,200	+4,000	+5,300
Mining & Quarrying	600	600	500	0	+100
Construction	36,800	36,700	37,600	+100	-800
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	55,400	54,800	54,700	+600	+700
Wholesale & Retail Trade	181,600	182,600	180,500	-1,000	+1,100
Wholesale Trade	(55,600)	(56,000)	(55,300)	(-400)	(+300)
Retail Trade	(126,000)	(126,600)	(125,200)	(-600)	(+800)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	57,100	57,400	56,700	-300	+400
Services	165,600	165,800	163,200	-200	+2,400
Government	110,400	105,600	109,000	+4,800	+1,400
Federal Government	(31,300)	(31,400)	(30,400)	(-100)	(+900)
State & Local Government	(79,100)	(74,200)	(78,600)	(+4,900)	(+500)
In Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	300	0	-300

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Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current Data: September, 1987**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$440.70	$439.55	$459.72	40.1	40.4	40.9	$10.99	$10.88	$11.24
Durable Goods	457.70	453.53	484.80	39.8	40.1	40.4	11.50	11.31	12.00
Lumber & Furniture	336.94	356.75	310.64	41.7	43.4	40.5	8.08	8.22	7.67
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	520.20	454.89	502.65	36.1	34.1	39.3	14.41	13.34	12.79
Primary Metal Industries	370.56	445.50	477.20	32.0	37.5	40.0	11.58	11.88	11.93
Fabricated Metal Products	414.54	404.17	381.85	42.0	41.2	38.3	9.87	9.81	9.97
Machinery Exc. Electrical	435.84	471.31	399.12	45.4	47.8	39.4	9.60	9.86	10.13
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	491.52	480.40	468.00	41.2	40.0	40.0	11.93	12.01	11.70
Transportation Equipment	571.44	556.21	648.19	37.3	35.7	42.7	15.32	15.58	15.18
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(588.22)	(573.87)	(655.45)	(37.3)	(35.6)	(42.7)	(15.77)	(16.12)	(15.35)
Nondurable Goods	419.58	422.69	420.34	40.5	40.8	41.7	10.36	10.36	10.08
Food & Kindred Products	412.45	420.86	407.58	40.2	41.1	42.5	10.26	10.24	9.59
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	204.74	217.26	203.20	33.4	36.7	35.4	6.13	5.92	5.74
Paper & Allied Products	414.40	430.95	436.99	40.0	41.2	42.8	10.36	10.46	10.21
Printing & Publishing	444.80	435.60	469.88	40.4	40.0	42.6	11.01	10.89	11.03
Chemicals & Allied Products	555.56	572.90	507.98	42.9	43.9	41.4	12.95	13.05	12.27
Petroleum & Coal Products	410.18	422.18	452.31	37.7	39.2	39.4	10.88	10.77	11.48

* This series excludes industry 2771.

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St. Louis Labor Market Review

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

September, 1987

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Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis MSA unemployment rate declined from 6.7% in August to 6.1% in September. Despite the loss of 1400 jobs in motor vehicle manufacturing, the area's unemployment rate was still able to register a small decline due to the overall strength of the nonmanufacturing sector. Good seasonal gains were reported in local government and transportation while the seasonal declines registered by services and trade were smaller than normal for this time of year. Total employment, at 1,179,100 has recorded its highest 1987 level and absorbed the auto layoffs better than in past years. This industry, though, continues to prepare for lower sales and more layoffs are expected during the last quarter of 1987. Over the year, total employment rose 16,900 and unemployment declined 7600. The unemployment rate in September, 1986 was 6.8%. Employment gains continued to be concentrated in services and losses in transportation equipment manufacturing. There were no workers involved in labor disputes in September, 200 in August, and 1100 in September 1986.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing employment declined 1200 over the month. The remainder of workers (1400) affected by the August closure of one auto assembly plant were laid off in September. The settlement of a labor dispute in fabricated metals caused that industry's employment to rise 100. Small gains were reported in primary metals, electrical equipment, instruments, and apparel. A seasonal decline of 100 occurred in chemicals. Over the year, manufacturing employment declined 2600. Transportation equipment is down 2700 due to the above mentioned plant closure in autos and early retirement incentives in aircraft. Gains continued to be reported in primary metals, food and leather. Lumber and furniture was down 300 due to the reduced construction activity this year compared to 1986.

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing employment rose 600 over the month. The reopening of schools after the summer caused an 11,900 increase in state and local government employment. Private school bus companies added drivers in September causing the increase in transportation. Students leaving summer jobs caused the declines in retail trade and services. Retail declines were concentrated in restaurants and service losses in amusement and recreation. Most of the seasonal decline in finance, insurance and real estate occurred in the real estate sector. Overr the year, nonmanufacturing employment rose 10,600. Services added 10,000 workers over the past 12 months. Major gains were reported in business services, the health care sector and professional services. State and local government is up over 1986 levels for the first time this year due to the addition of more school employees. In transportation, the trucking industry added 1000 workers. Construction employment continued at somewhat lower levels thatn 1986, down 3600 jobs.

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The unemployment rate in October, 1987 is expected to be 6.2%.

Unemployment and Manpower Resources

The industry distribution of Missouri resident claimants is:

Industry	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.
Mining	15	13	24	20
Construction	1948	1811	1669	1381
Manufacturing	5377	6479	3885	4275
Public Utilities	930	1193	1248	809
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	3689	3670	3581	2599
Finance	647	594	620	556
Services	3594	3716	3616	2769
All Other	318	406	362	311
TOTAL	16518	17882	15005	12720

The occupational distribution of the intrastate Missouri resident claimant is:

Occupation	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1445	1386	1360	1036
Clerical	2311	2184	2055	1544
Sales	594	488	462	346
Farm, Fish & Forest	74	72	89	54
Processing	199	154	177	142
Machine Trades	889	882	774	703
Bench Work	676	711	653	495
Structural Work	1299	1247	1253	1236
Misc. Work	1410	1440	1381	1067
Service	1646	1682	1735	1225
INA	5975	7696	5066	4872
TOTAL	16518	17882	15005	12720

Available Job Oppportunties

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1988 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	Openings Received Percent	Openings Filled Percent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	10.3	1.6
Clerical	18.0	9.0
Sales	13.1	18.2
Processing	1.4	2.5
Machine Trades	4.5	5.1
Bench Work	5.1	6.9
Structural Work	6.4	8.2
Motor Freight & Trans.	3.2	2.3
Packaging & Material Handling	10.7	16.5
Domestic	0.8	0.3
Other Services	21.2	19.9
Other Occupations	5.3	9.5

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area **Month and Year of Current: September, 1987**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,110,800	1,103,600	1,102,800	+7,200	+8,000
Percent Change				+(0.7)	+(0.7)
Manufacturing	218,600	219,800	221,200	-1,200	-2,600
Durable Goods	136,500	137,600	138,700	-1,100	-2,200
Lumber & Furniture	4,400	4,400	4,700	0	-300
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,400	3,400	3,400	0	0
Primary Metal Industries	14,000	13,900	13,600	+100	+400
Fabricated Metal Products	16,800	16,700	16,800	+100	0
Machinery, Except Electrical	17,600	17,600	17,300	0	+300
Electrical & Electronic Equip	14,400	14,300	14,300	+100	+100
Transportation Equipment	53,100	54,600	55,800	-1,500	+2,700
Motor Vehicles	18,000	19,400	19,800	-1,400	-1,800
Aircraft & Parts	29,800	29,900	30,300	-100	-500
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	12,800	12,700	12,800	+100	0
Nondurable Goods	82,100	82,200	82,500	-100	-400
Food & Kindred Products	23,000	23,000	22,400	0	+600
Meat Products	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0
Beverages	9,200	9,200	8,800	0	+400
Textiles & Apparel	6,500	6,400	6,500	+100	0
Paper & Paper Products	5,600	5,700	5,700	-100	-100
Printing & Publishing	16,400	16,400	16,900	0	-500
Chemical & Allied Products	18,400	18,500	18,600	-100	-200
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,500	2,500	2,600	0	-100
Leather & Leather Products	4,700	4,700	4,500	0	+200
Other Nondurable Goods	5,000	5,000	5,300	0	-300
Nonmanufacturing	892,200	883,800	881,600	+8,400	+10,600
Mining	3,400	3,400	3,600	0	-200
Construction	56,800	57,400	60,400	-600	-3,600
Transportation & Public Utilities	75,100	74,900	74,300	+200	+800
Railroads	4,400	4,400	4,500	0	-100
Transportation, Except Railroads	41,000	40,800	40,100	+200	+900
Communications & Public Utilities	29,700	29,700	29,700	0	0
Wholesale & Retail Trade	262,500	263,400	262,400	-900	+100
Wholesale Trade	61,500	61,600	62,300	-100	-800
Retail Trade	201,000	201,800	200,100	-800	+900
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	72,700	73,700	71,400	-1,000	+1,300
Service, Except Domestic	286,200	286,900	276,200	-700	+10,000
Total Government	135,500	124,100	133,300	+11,400	+2,200
Total Federal Government	37,100	37,600	37,200	-500	-100
Total State & Local Government	98,400	86,500	96,100	+11,900	+2,300
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	200	1,100	-200	-1,100

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: St. Louis Metropolitan Area **Month and Year of Current Data: September, 1987**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$483.39	$470.61	$469.48	41.0	40.5	41.4	$11.79	$11.62	$11.34
Durable Goods	513.33	490.05	500.23	41.7	40.5	42.5	12.31	12.10	11.77
Lumber & Furniture	367.28	374.53	346.18	41.5	41.8	39.7	8.85	8.96	8.72
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	470.69	429.18	421.42	38.9	38.7	38.0	12.10	11.09	11.09
Primary Metal Industries	506.10	502.02	457.06	42.0	42.4	43.2	12.05	11.84	10.58
Fabricated Metal Products	469.70	461.31	427.81	41.9	42.4	40.9	11.21	10.88	10.46
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	470.79	473.71	484.21	41.7	41.7	42.4	11.29	11.36	11.42
Elect & Electronic Equip.	424.77	396.19	401.39	41.2	39.5	39.9	10.31	10.03	10.06
Transportation Equipment	648.19	590.92	648.43	42.7	39.5	45.6	15.18	14.96	14.22
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	323.01	313.56	314.04	39.2	38.1	37.7	8.24	8.23	8.33
Nondurable Goods	427.68	433.49	412.26	39.6	40.4	39.3	10.80	10.73	10.49
Food & Kindred Products	467.64	461.30	478.79	38.3	38.7	40.1	12.21	11.92	11.94
Textiles & Apparel	231.04	244.10	209.92	36.1	38.2	32.8	6.40	6.39	6.40
Paper & Paper Products	484.70	524.52	446.03	45.9	47.0	43.6	10.56	11.16	10.23
Printing & Publishing	396.79	402.71	398.09	38.3	38.5	38.8	10.36	10.46	10.26
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	547.39	548.56	500.20	41.5	42.1	41.0	13.19	13.03	12.20
Petroleum & Coal Products	572.13	568.72	545.22	39.0	38.9	39.0	14.67	14.62	13.98
Leather & Leather Products	262.66	266.11	213.06	40.1	44.5	35.1	6.55	5.98	6.07
Other Nondurable Goods	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Springfield Labor Market Review

(Greene and Christian Counties)

September, 1987

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Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

Total employment rose 2,000 from August to a record of 116,000 in September. The jump during this period is seasonal in nature and reflects the opening of schools for the fall term.

The number of unemployed fell 600 from August to 5,000 in September. The percentage of the labor force unemployed dropped from 4.7 to 4.1 during the 30 days.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

Nonfarm payrolled jobs rose 2,400 from August to 106,800 in September. Manufacturing employment was characterized by stability while the nonmanufacturing segment accounted for the entire gain. Significant changes in employment levels of nonmanufacturing industries from August include: construction, up 100; trade, down 100; services, up 300; and state and local government, up 2,000. Most of the gain in state and local government results from job increases at educational institutions.

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers fell ten cents from August to $8.48 in September. The average factory work week increased three-tenths of an hour to 39.2 hours. During September 1986, average hourly earnings were calculated at $8.83 and the average hours worked weekly came to 44.1.

Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Payrolled employment will continue strong in October. The rate of unemployment is expected to remain near the current level during the next one month period.
fall term.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)

(Benchmark — March, 1986)

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current: September, 1987**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, Employment (Exc. Domestics)	106,800	104,400	104,700	2,400	2,100
Manufacturing	20,300	20,300	20,300	0	0
Durable Goods	11,200	11,100	11,100	+100	+100
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	1,100	1,100	1,100	0	0
Other Durable Goods	10,100	10,000	10,000	+100	+100
Nondurable Goods	9,100	9,200	9,200	-100	-100
Food Processing	4,100	4,100	4,300	0	-200
Printing & Publishing	1,600	1,700	1,700	-100	-100
Other Nondurable Goods	3,400	3,400	3,200	0	0
Nonmanufacturing	86,500	84,100	84,400	-2,400	+2,100
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	4,800	4,700	4,500	+100	+300
Transportation & Utilities	6,900	6,800	6,700	+100	+200
Trade	28,700	28,800	28,300	-100	+400
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	5,200	5,200	5,100	0	+100
Services	27,200	26,900	26,400	+300	+800
Government	13,600	11,600	13,300	+2,000	+300
Federal	1,800	1,800	1,800	0	0
State and Local	11,800	9,800	11,500	+2,000	+300
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	400	0	+400

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Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current Data: September, 1987**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$332.42	$333.76	$389.40	39.2	38.9	44.1	$8.48	$8.58	$8.83
Durable Goods	319.84	320.38	386.32	39.1	38.6	46.1	8.18	8.30	8.38
Nondurable Goods	350.06	353.31	391.96	39.2	39.3	41.0	8.93	8.99	9.56
Food & Kindred Products	381.24	379.85	492.83	40.3	39.9	44.6	9.46	9.52	11.05
Other Nondurable Goods	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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